

ORR Diary, 17 August 1951 (AD/RR information unless otherwise stated)

AD/RR: The AD/RR PRESIDED AT THE ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE Meeting.
(2½ hrs) (17 August)

D/A: Mr. John D. Garrett, Department of COMMERCE, INVITED CIA TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL, to meet on 17 August. AFTER CONFERRING WITH MR. [REDACTED] M/FM, MR. [REDACTED] ADVISED GARRETT THAT CIA WOULD NOT BE REPRESENTED. (½ hr) (16 August)

25X1A9a Mr. [REDACTED] (M/FM) ADVISED MR. [REDACTED] THAT A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION INDICATED THAT THE SOVIET BLOC HAS THE FACILITIES, TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE AND MATERIALS FOR PRODUCING ELECTROLYTIC MANGANESE. ACCORDINGLY, MR. [REDACTED] ADVISED MR. C. K. NICHOLS, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, THAT IT WAS NOT FEASIBLE FOR CIA TO PREPARE THE ANALYSIS OF THE STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE TO THE SOVIETS OF ELECTROLYTIC MANGANESE, REQUESTED BY MR. NICHOLS ON 9 AUGUST. (½ hr) (16 August)

25X1A9a Mr. [REDACTED] OO, CONFERRED WITH MR. [REDACTED] IN REGARD TO ADVICE WHICH THEY COULD GIVE TO A U.S. MANUFACTURER OF PHARMACEUTICALS WHO IS CONCERNED REGARDING THE LIKELIHOOD THAT ANTIBIOTICS AND SULFONAMIDE DRUGS SOLD BY THEIR [REDACTED] WERE BEING TRANSSHIPPED VIA BELGIUM TO THE SOVIET BLOC. MR. [REDACTED] ADVISED WITH MISS WINIFRED MARONEY, [REDACTED], DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AND WILL SEE MR. PAUL MEDALIS, INVESTIGATION STAFF, COMMERCE. HOWEVER, UNTIL INTERNATIONAL CONTROLS ARE TIGHTENED, THERE IS NO ASSURANCE THAT WITHHOLDING OF DRUGS BY ONE MANUFACTURER WOULD PREVENT THE FLOW OF SAME TO THE SOVIETS. (1 hr) (16 August)

25X1A9a Mr. [REDACTED] (S/TF) WAS CONTACTED BY MR. DOUGLAS SMITH, OIR, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON TOTAL AND SPECIFIC INVESTMENTS IN INDIVIDUAL YUGOSLAV INDUSTRIAL PLANTS. MR. SMITH ALSO SAW MR. [REDACTED] (D/I) RELATIVE TO THIS PROBLEM. (1½ hrs) (16 August)

D/I: [REDACTED] (I/AIR) VISITED WITH THE ECONOMIC ADVISOR TO THE MUNITIONS BOARD (MR. GARRETT) AND DISCUSSED ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS. MR. GARRETT CONFIRMED MR. MARSHALL WOOD, CHIEF, PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION, OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER, USAF, AS THE BEST CURRENT CONTACT FOR THIS TYPE OF INFORMATION. (½ hr) (15 August)

25X1A9a [REDACTED] (I/AIR) VISITED WITH MR. MYRON A. TRACY, CHIEF, OFFICE OF AIRCRAFT PROGRAMS, MUNITIONS BOARD, AND DISCUSSED PROCUREMENT FOR O/RR OF DETAILED U.S. AIRCRAFT PROGRAM MATERIAL INPUT FIGURES FOR COMPARATIVE PURPOSES. (½ hr) (15 August)

25X1A9a [REDACTED] (I/AIR) SECURED UNIT WEIGHTS OF CRITICAL AIRFRAME MATERIALS FOR 13 DIFFERENT USAF AND USN AIRCRAFT TYPES BROKEN DOWN BY AIRFRAME WEIGHT, TOTAL BILL OF MATERIALS WEIGHT, % OF DIFFERENCE; AND THEN THE BREAK-DOWNS BY IRON, CARBON STEEL, ALLOY STEEL, STAINLESS STEEL, HI-TEMP STEEL, COPPER AND COPPER BASE ALLOY, ALUMINUM,

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magnesium, and miscellaneous base metals; FROM the Industrial Factors Branch, OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER, USAF. (3/4 hr) (15 August)

25X1A9a [REDACTED] (I/AIR) VISITED WITH Mr. Elvin A. Hoy, Industrial Factors Branch, OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER, USAF, AND DISCUSSED TRENDS IN AIRCRAFT JET ENGINE PRODUCTION toward elimination of critical materials with an attendant increase in overall weight. Overall weights of current engine types were secured. (1 hr) (16 August)

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D/M: [REDACTED]

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25X1A9a Miss [REDACTED], FDD, MET WITH Mr. [REDACTED] (M/FM) TO DISCUSS THE VALUE OF SEVERAL RUSSIAN DOCUMENTS IN RELATIONSHIP TO CURRENT PROJECTS. One of these was considered of value as it covered in detail the SCRAP INDUSTRY IN THE USSR. (3/4 hr) (16 August)

25X1A9a [REDACTED], OSI, CONSULTED WITH Mr. [REDACTED] (M/FM) REGARDING a SAMPLE OF FERRO-CHROME which had been PRODUCED IN YUGOSLAVIA. The CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF the SAMPLE was similar to that of the US STANDARDS. (1/4 hr) (16 Aug)

25X1A9a [REDACTED] (M/P) CONTACTED Mr. Baxter Wood, G-2, CONCERNING MP-35. (1 hr) (16 Aug)

25X1A9a Mr. [REDACTED] D/C, and Mr. [REDACTED] (M/C) DISCUSSED G-2 POLICY with [REDACTED] later covered ORDNANCE INTELLIGENCE POLICY with [REDACTED]. (3 hrs) (16 Aug)

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Messrs. [REDACTED] of FDD CALLED ON Messrs. [REDACTED] (S/EP) to introduce Mr. [REDACTED], and for a GENERAL DISCUSSION OF NEEDS OF THIS BRANCH TO BE SUPPLIED BY FDD. (1 hr) (16 Aug)

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Mr. [REDACTED] (S/TR) CONTACTED Mr. Cox, Area Analysis, G-2 TO EXAMINE FILES FOR DATA of value to ORR Projects 11-51 (SOVIET-FLAG OCEAN TRAFFIC) and 17-51 (CASPIAN SEA TRAFFIC). Aside from excellent port data compiled for the NJS program, there appears to be little of value readily available in Area Analysis, G-2. (1 1/2 hrs) (16 Aug)

D/G:

25X1A9a Messrs. [REDACTED] and Misses [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] CONFERRED WITH another contingent from the Topographic Research Branch, ACIS, ARMY MAP SERVICE, headed by Mr. G. Hartley, accompanied by Messrs. Ota, Cavanaugh, Manger, Thompson, and Fousek. The ACIS group explained its NEEDS AND PROBLEMS OF LIAISON IN EXCHANGE OF MATERIALS with D/G. (1 1/2 hrs) (16 Aug)

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Balance of ORR - nothing to report

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